GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
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SETTING UP OF JUVENILE COURTS
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the juvenile courts have been set up in every district of the country as stipulated in Protection of Child Rights Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether all the States/UTs have constituted State Commissions for Protection of Child Rights;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a),(b)&(c) As per Section 25 of the Commissions for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005, State Government is required to designate one court in each district to be a children's court for speedy trial of offences against children or of violation of child rights. The Ministry of Women and Child Development has written to State Governments for designating children court. However, no State has confirmed so far in this regard.

(d),(e)&(f) As per Section 17 of Commissions for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005, the State Government are required to constitute State Commissions for Protection of Child Rights in their respective States. The Ministry has written to State Governments for constituting State Commissions. However, as per records available only, Goa has constituted a State Commission so far.